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Inside the 2040 Disk Drive

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Yes, you can look at the programs inside the 2040. But unless you're strong in machine language - and have a bit of hardware background - it won't make much sense.

There are two processors in there. One looks out toward the PET .. I'll call it the IEEE processor; the other looks in toward the disk mechanics .. this one I'll call the disk processor. Each processor has a completely different set of programs. The two processors talk to each other by sharing a little memory space: about 4K of RAM is common to both microprocessors.

The IEEE processor is relatively easy to look into. You have the M-R, or memory read, command which allows you to look at the whole 64K memory space of this processor. Not all of this is actually fitted with memory, of course. As far as I can tell, ROM occupies hex locations E000 to FFFF. There's RAM in zero page; and the RAM which is shared with the disk microprocessor is in hex 1000 to 1FFF. The 6532 PIA chips seem to be in addresses $0200 to $03FF.

To analyze a completely unknown 650X program, you must start by inspecting locations $FFFA to $FFFF. This gives you the three main vectors, for NMI, Reset, and INT. As far as I can tell, NMI isn't used - the vector points at non-existent memory. Reset is of course used; in my 2040 it points at F480, and that's where the main code for initialization begins. It looks to me as if the interrupt line must be kicked by the IEEE ATN (attention) line: when I follow the vector (FDDE) in my machine, it looks like an IEEE handshake is taking place.

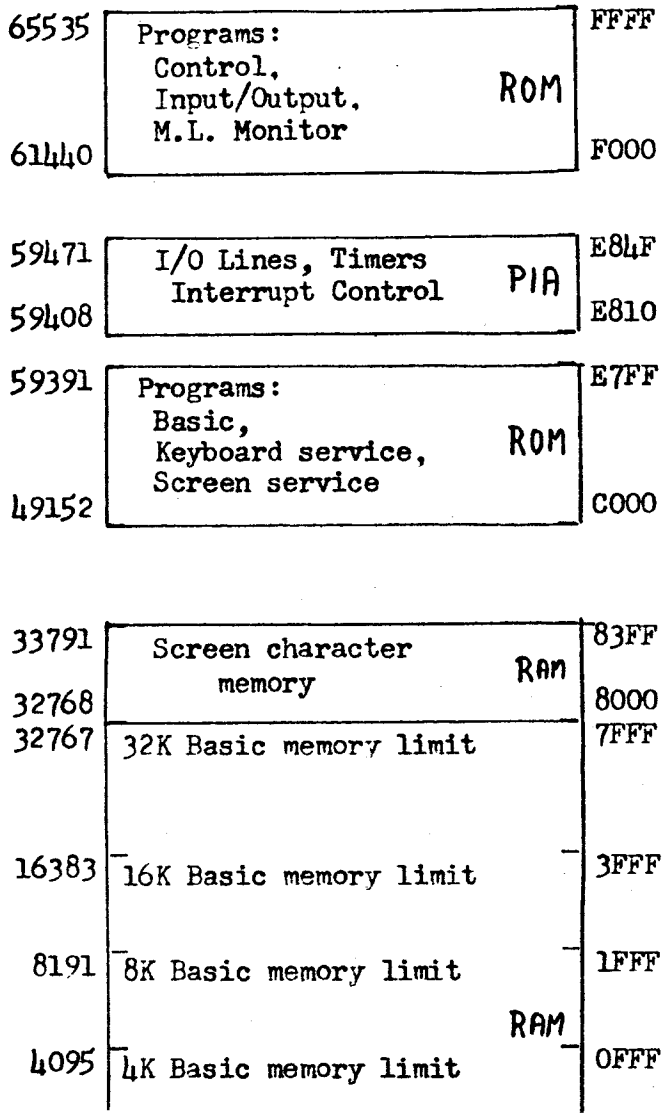
That's all very well for the IEEE processor, but how can you get a look at the inner, disk processor? I had trouble with this one, until one day I discovered that the IEEE processor can download the disk processor - via the shared RAM - and make it execute this new code! So all that's needed is a little program to tell the disk processor to copy part of its memory to the shared RAM space, where it can be examined by using the M-R command.

I couldn't get this to work, however, until I discovered the vital missing link. The shared RAM, which is seen at locations 1000 to 1FFF by the IEEE processor, is seen in a completely different location by the disk processor! .. in this case, hex 0400 to 13FF.
The hardware just "maps" the memory into a different location.
I might never have spotted this if the memories had not overlapped; but a little rummaging around and tearing of hair showed that my early programs seemed to be putting data into the wrong buffer.
Eventually, the penny dropped, and the system became clear.

I'm far from being able to give details about the inner secrets of the 2040. But with the enclosed DISK PEEK program, you too can rummage around in there - in either processor's memory space - and come up with interesting data.

```
100 PRINT"■DISK MEMORY DISPLAY    JIM BUTTERFIELD"
110 DATA77,45,87,0,18,16,162,0,189
120 DATA157,64,06,232,224,16,208,245,76,193,254
130 FORJ=1TO9:READX:C$=C$+CHR$(X):NEXTJ
140 FORJ=1TO11:READX:D$=D$+CHR$(X):NEXTJ
150 PRINT"■THERE ARE TWO PROCESSORS:"
160 PRINT"  1) THE IEEE PROCESSOR;"
170 PRINT"  2) THE DISK PROCESSOR;"
180 INPUT"WHICH DO YOU WANT TO PEEK (1 OR 2)";D
190 PRINT"INPUT MEMORY ADDRESS"
200 PRINT"IN HEXADECIMAL:":OPEN1,8,15
210 PRINT"  ■■■■                                    ■"
220 INPUTZ$
230 PRINT"■";:IFLEN(Z$)<>4THENGOTO210
240 FORJ=1TO4:Y=ASC(MID$(Z$,J))
250 IFY<58THENY=Y-48
260 IFY>64THENY=Y-55
270 IFY<00RY>16GOTO210
280 Y(J)=Y:NEXTJ:K=0:PRINT"■■■■■■";
290 ONDGOTO300,320:GOTO180
300 U=Y(3)*16+Y(4):V=Y(1)*16+Y(2)
310 GOSUB360:GOTO210
320 PRINT#1,C$;CHR$(Y(3)*16+Y(4));CHR$(Y(1)*16+Y(2));D$
330 PRINT#1,"M-W";CHR$(4);CHR$(16);CHR$(1);CHR$(224)
340 PRINT#1,"M-R";CHR$(4);CHR$(16);CHR$(1);CHR$(224)
345 GET#1,X$:IFX$=CHR$(224)GOTO340
350 U=64:V=18:GOSUB360:GOTO210
360 PRINT#1,"M-R";CHR$(U);CHR$(V)
370 GET#1,X$:IFX$=""THENX$=CHR$(0)
380 PRINT" ";:X=ASC(X$)/16
390 FORJ=1TO2:X%=X:X=(X-X%)*16:IFX%>9THENX%=X%+7
400 PRINTCHR$(X%+48);:NEXTJ
410 U=U+1:IFU=256THENU=0:V=V+1
420 K=K+1:IFK<8GOTO360
430 Y(0)=0:Y(4)=Y(4)+8:J=4
440 IFY(J)>15THENY(J)=Y(J)-16:J=J-1:Y(J)=Y(J)+1:GOTO440
450 PRINT:PRINT"  ";:FORJ=1TO4:Y=Y(J):IFY>9THENY=Y+7
460 PRINTCHR$(Y+48);:NEXTJ:PRINT"■":RETURN
```

**** THE LAST THREE ITEMS IN LINE 120 (76,193,254) MAY BE CHANGED IF NECESSARY TO A RESET SEQUENCE OF 108,252,255 ****



Commodore PET and CBM memory organization.

Printer Formatting

There has been a bug detected with the formatting feature of the 2022 and 2023 Printers but fortunately, Kim Lantz of North Sydney, Nova Scotia, has found the fix.

It seemed that setting up the first format was no problem, but changing to a second format was. When PRINTing to the printer, the last character to be sent to a line is a CRLF. This is done for obvious reasons but, the Carriage Return is printed on the current line and the Line Feed is printed on the next line. The Line Feed character is of course not printed on the paper but the printer "sees" it as the first character of the new line and when the printer is anywhere but the absolute beginning of a line, it doesn't like changing the format.

Therefore, anything that is output to secondary address 1 of the printer should be followed by...

```
;CHR$(13);
```

For e.g.

```
OPEN 1,4,1
PRINT #1, X;CHR$(13);
PRINT #1, "PET";CHR$(13);
```

...especially when the format string is about to be changed. This is also true for secondary address 0.

The above can of course be shortened by first equating R$ to CHR$(13) and using R$ in place of CHR$(13). Also the first semi-colon is not necessary when preceeded by a closing quote or another string variable but is necessary when following numeric variables.

However, the general idea is to keep the printer in the 0'th position after a carriage return when the format string is to be changed.

Bits and Pieces

The IF..THEN statement can be very useful in avoiding certain unexpected hazards. Two in particular are 1) argument outside range and 2) dividing by zero.

The ON..GOTO statement has a limited range on its argument; 1 to 255. Zero causes execution to drop through to the next line but values negative or over 255 will cause an error and a forced break. Protecting against this is easy and often a good idea.

```
500 IF X > -1 AND X < 256 THEN ON X GOTO...  (GOSUB)
501 REM -CODE FOR X = 0
```

Executing a 'THEN' causes PET to interpret the code following as a "new line". A 'THEN' can therefore be followed by any BASIC statement including another 'IF..THEN'.

Dividing by zero will fail for obvious reasons. Preceeding a possible trouble spot with a denominator test will protect against ?DIVISION BY ZERO ERROR.

```
600 IF D <> 0 THEN IF N/D <> 0 THEN
    IF N2/(N/D) > 1 GOTO 880
```

Another hidden gotcha that has been known to cause bald spots is the peculiar behavior of the FOR..NEXT loop. Code within a FOR..NEXT loop will always execute at least once regardless of the initial loop counter values.

```
700 IF J > 0 THEN FOR X = 1 TO J:...: NEXT
```

...will guard against unwanted looping. Only one problem; the entire loop must be squeezed into one line otherwise GOTOs must be used.

One further note; a STEP size of zero will cause endless looping. Depending on the extent of STEP use, testing of STEP variables might be advisable.

Bullet-Proof INPUT

As you know, INPUT allows the cursor control characters to be typed which can really foul up a program especially when user infallibility is of importance. The following subroutine could substitute for INPUT:

```
5000 POKE  167 , 0
5010 A$ = ""
5020 GET B$ : IF B$ = "" THEN 5020
5030 IF ( ASC ( B$ ) AND 127 ) > 31 THEN
     PRINT B$; : A$ = A$ + B$
5040 IF B$ = CHR$( 13 ) THEN POKE 167 , 1 : RETURN
5050 GOTO 5020
```

Line	Explanation
5000	The only drawback using GET over INPUT was that a simulated cursor was required. POKE 167 , 0 (548 in old ROM) conveniently turns the PETs cursor on.
5010	Sets A$ (the input string) to null string.
5020	Standard "GET loop".
5030	This test masks out all of the cursor control keys, allowing only numeric, alpha and graphics to PRINT.
5040	Test for 'RETURN' key, yes...turn cursor off, exit.

Extra tests could be inserted between 5030 and 5040 to include cursor left/right and/or delete. Also, a character counter might be incorporated to limit the input string length.

Floating Binary

The following program by Jim Butterfield shows the true value of a decimal floating point number as stored by PET in floating binary. The program illustrates how some decimal values cannot be represented in binary exactly. Try values of 1.1, 1.2 and 1.7.

```
100 PRINT : INPUT V
110 PRINT INT(V);".";
120 V = (V - INT(V)) * 10 : IF V=0 GOTO 100
130 PRINT CHR$(V + 48);
140 GOTO 120
```

The following reference table shows the screen memory POKE locations. Note the start and end locations and that the most significant digit (3) has been dropped throughout the table. Reprinted from the Commodore Japan Newsletter.

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2768	2769	2770	2771	2772	2773	2774	2775	2776	2777	2778	2779	2780	2781	2782	2783	2784	2785	2786	2787	2788	2789	2790	2791	2792	2793	2794	2795	2796	2797	2798	2799	2800	2801	2802	2803	2804	2805	2806	2807
2808	2809	2810	2811	2812	2813	2814	2815	2816	2817	2818	2819	2820	2821	2822	2823	2824	2825	2826	2827	2828	2829	2830	2831	2832	2833	2834	2835	2836	2837	2838	2839	2840	2841	2842	2843	2844	2845	2846	2847
2848	2849	2850	2851	2852	2853	2854	2855	2856	2857	2858	2859	2860	2861	2862	2863	2864	2865	2866	2867	2868	2869	2870	2871	2872	2873	2874	2875	2876	2877	2878	2879	2880	2881	2882	2883	2884	2885	2886	2887
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Screen I/O

Some of you may have experienced problems PRINTing characters to the screen over top of characters that are already there. Try, for example, the following program:

```
100 ?"home";
110 FOR J = 1 TO 10
120 ?"++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++
++++++++++++++++++++++++++++"  (approx 60)
130 NEXT
140 ?"home";
150 FOR J = 1 TO 10
160 ?"********************"
170 NEXT
180 END
```

So why the extra line feeds? PET maintains a "line wrap" table in RAM which determines whether the line is a single or a double line or more precisely, over or under 40 characters. This is done for things like INPUT and for entering or altering BASIC.

For upgrade ROMs the wrap table is kept in RAM from 00E0 to 00F8 (decimal 224 - 248). 0123 to 0241 (dec 553 - 577) for old ROMs.

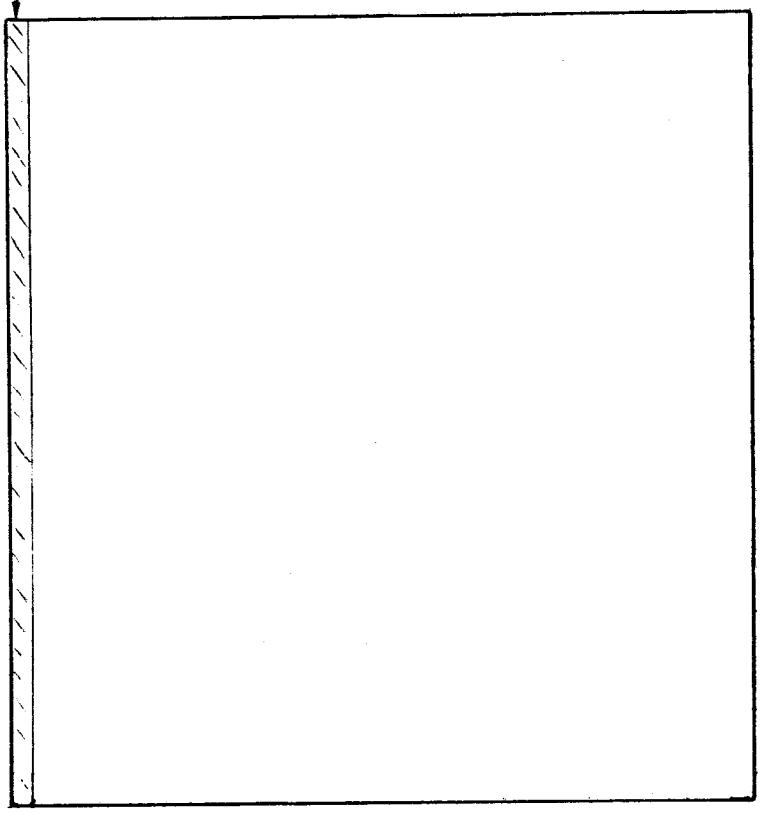
So how do we eliminate these dastardly line feeds? You could play with "cursor ups" but if some lines are double and others single this can be somewhat cumbersome especially if your PRINT strings end at column 40. The alternative is to alter the information held in the line wrap table.

The table consumes 25 bytes of RAM, one byte for each line on the screen. These bytes will contain the lines high order memory address. As you know, screen memory starts at hex 8000 and continues to hex 8FFF (see memory map). The home position of the screen is therefore at hex 8000. Since the address of a line is taken from the beginning of that line, the address of the top line will be #8000 (# = hex). The high order address is simply #80 and the decimal equivalent of #80 is 128. The PEEK of the first location of the wrap table will return a 128 which is of course decimal.

The following relates wrap table decimal values (PEEK values) to the hex address of the first character space of each screen line. Remember, only the high order part of the address is of any concern to the wrap table. Also, the table resides in different locations for old and new ROMs so for now we'll call them locations 1 through 25.

Wrap Table		Hex addr. of
1	128	8000
2	128	8028
3	128	8050
4	128	8078
5	128	80A0
6	128	80C8
7	128	80F0
8	129	8118
9	129	8140
10	129	8168
11	129	8190
12	129	81B8
13	129	81E0
14	130	8208
15	130	8230
16	130	8258
17	130	8280
18	130	82A8
19	130	82D0
20	130	82F8
21	131	8320
22	131	8348
23	131	8370
24	131	8398
25	131	83C0

Blank Screen (single lines)



If the wrap table PEEK values were represented in binary, the eighth bit would be set to 1 in each case:

128 = 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
131 = 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 1

This means that the corresponding line is single or has less than 40 characters on it.

When characters outputing to the screen wrap around the right side, PET considers these characters as part of the above line. Take, for example, the top two lines (lines 1 & 2). The screen is cleared and a string of 52 characters are PRINTed from the home position, past column 40 and onto line 2. Line 2 is now considered part of a double line but more importantly, line 1 is considered a single line of double length. The wrap table records this by setting the eighth bit of the value corresponding to line 2 to zero. The top two lines are now treated by PET as a single line hence the extra line feeds. This is most noticeable when using the screen editor on program lines of length greater than 40.

The wrap table values for the example program would be:

Wrap Table		Hex addr. of	Program Example
1	128	8000	**********
2	0	8028	++++++++++
3	128	8050	**********
4	0	8078	++++++++++
5	128	80A0	**********
6	0	80C8	++++++++++
7	128	80F0	**********
8	0	8118	++++++++++
9	129	8140	**********
10	1	8168	----------
11	129	8190	**********
12	1	81B8	----------
13	129	81E0	**********
14	1	8208	----------
15	130	8230	**********
16	2	8258	----------
17	130	8280	**********
18	2	82A8	----------
19	130	82D0	**********
20	2	82F8	----------
21	131	8320	
22	131	8348	
23	131	8370	
24	131	8398	
25	131	83C0	

The Solution

If PRINTing on double lines has thrown a wrench into your program, the easiest solution is make all lines single. Insert the following lines into the example program and RUN it

New ROM 143 FOR J = 224 TO 248 : X = PEEK (J)
         145 POKE J, X OR 128 : NEXT

Old ROM 143 FOR J = 553 TO 577 : X = PEEK (J)
         145 POKE J, X OR 128 : NEXT

The "OR" function in line 145 is used to set the eighth bit to 1, thus altering the wrap table such that PET considers all lines as single.

A few entry points, original/upgrade ROM Jim Butterfield

Entry points seen in various programmer's machine language programs. The user is cautioned to check out the various routines carefully for proper setup before calling, registers used, etc.

ORIG	UPGR	DESCRIPTION
C357	C355	?OUT OF MEMORY
C359	C357	Send Basic error message
C38B	C389	Warm start, Basic
C3AC	C3AB	Crunch & insert line
C430	C439	Fix chaining & READY.
C433	C442	Fix chaining
C48D	C495	Crunch tokens
C522	C52C	Find line in Basic
C553	C55D	Do NEW
C56A	C572	Do CLR
C59A	C5A7	Reset Basic to start
C6B5	C6C4	Continue Basic execution
C863	C873	Get fixed-point number from Basic.
C9CE	C9DE	Send Return,LF if in screen mode
C9D2	C9E2	Send Return, Linefeed
CA27	CA1C	Print string
CA2D	CA22	Print precomputed string
CA49	CA45	Print character
CE11	CDF8	Check for comma
CE13	CDFA	Check for specific character
CE1C	CE03	'SYNTAX ERROR'
D079	D069	Bump Variable Address by 2
D0A7	D09A	Float to Fixed conversion
D278	D26D	Fixed to Float conversion
D679	D67B	Get byte to X reg
D68D	D68F	Evaluate String
D6C4	D6C6	Get two parameters
D73C	D773	Add (from memory)
D8FD	D934	Multiply by memory location
D9B4	D9EE	Multiply by ten
DA74	DAAE	Unpack memory variable to Accum #1
DB1B	DB55	Completion of Fixed to Float conversion
DC9F	DCD9	Print fixed-point value
DCA9	DCE3	Print floating-point value
DCAF	DCE9	Convert number to ASCII string
E3EA	E3D8	Print a character
na	E775	Output byte as 2 hex digits
na	E7A7	Input 2 hex digits to A
na	E7B6	Input 1 hex digit to A
F0B6	F0B6	Send 'talk' to IEEE
F0BA	F0BA	Send 'listen' to IEEE
F12C	F128	Send Secondary Address
E7DE	F156	Send canned message
F167	F16F	Send character to IEEE
F17A	F17F	Send 'untalk'
F17E	F183	Send 'unlisten'
F187	F18C	Input from IEEE
F2C8	F2A9	Close logical file
F2CD	F2AE	Close logical file in A

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F32A F301 Check for Stop key
F33F F315 Send message if Direct mode
 na  F322 LOAD subroutine
F3DB F3E6 ?LOAD ERROR
F3E5 F3EF Print READY & reset Basic to start
F3FF F40A Print SEARCHING...
F411 F41D Print file name
F43F F447 Get LOAD/SAVE type parameters
F462 F466 Open IEEE channel for output.
F495 F494 Find specific tape header block
F504 F4FD Get  string
F52A F521 Open logical file from input parameters
F52D F524 Open logical file
F579 F56E ?FILE NOT FOUND, clear I/O
F57B F570 Send error message
F5AE F5A6 Find any tape header block
F64D F63C Get pointers for tape LOAD
F667 F656 Set tape buffer start address
F67D F66C Set cassette buffer pointers
F6E6 F6F0 Close IEEE channel
F78B F770 Set input device from logical file number
F7DC F7BC Set output device from LFN.
F83B F812 PRESS PLAY..; wait
F87F F855 Read tape to buffer
F88A F85E Read tape
F8B9 F886 Write tape from buffer
F8C1 F88E Write tape, leader length in A
F913 F8E6 Wait for I/O complete or Stop key
FBDC FB76 Reset tape I/O pointer
FD1B FC9B Set interrupt vector
FFC6 FFC6 Set input device
FFC9 FFC9 Set output device
FFCC FFCC Restore default I/O devices
FFCF FFCF Input character
FFD2 FFD2 Output character
FFE4 FFE4 Get character
```

Infinitely Long PET Programs

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Even with a 32K PET, it is desirable to have a means of handling programs in sections, to be loaded as necessary. The PET implementation of the load command from a program does not reset any pointers, so that variables are preserved. However, any new program must be the same length or shorter than the first of the series.

In order to make certain details such as filenames and the disk commands transparent to the end user, it may be desired to have a small front end or menu program load other, longer programs. No variables need be passed between the programs, so a simple LOAD "nextprogram",8 suffices.

However, since the variable pointers are not reset, they will be pointing into the program. As soon as any variables are used, the program is disturbed, and a machine crash may result. Certainly, this will cause a non-recoverable error. This may be avoided by including the following line as the first of the program:

```
POKE42,PEEK(201):POKE43,PEEK(202):CLR
```

This resets the bottom of text pointer and then the CLR resets all the other pointers. The program will now run.

If this is the first line in a program, and you modify the program, DO NOT use the RUN command with no parameters. Start runing the program from below this line, or the pointers will be reset to the previous end of the program. In general, you would lose the same number of bytes as were added.

But what about doing a link of two programs and passing data between them?

This is relatively simple. A scratch file can be created and filled with the variables to be passed. These variables are then read by the second program.

However, because of the disk's handling of sequential files, it is advisable to generate your own carriage returns between data items. Using the format

```
PRINT#3,A;CHR$(13);B;CHR$(13);D$;CHR$(13);
```

will avoid any complications due to unwanted line feed characters.

It would be a good idea to have the first program check for a pre-existing file and either delete it, or warn the user to change disks. Obviously, a different filename cannot be used, unless user intervention is provided, which in general would slow the system down.

The existence of a previous file can be checked most easily by opening the filename, either for read or write, and checking the error channel. If a read produces "FILE NOT FOUND" or a write succeeds then the filename has not been used. Otherwise, some action should be taken. Scratch files should also be deleted when they are of no further use.

This also allows long programs of the number-crunching variety to be interrupted and restarted. One could write programs with a very long run time so that they can "go to sleep" either by keyboard command or after a set time.

The machine will hang up if the next program to be loaded is not found.

Programming

PET DOS SUPPORT PROGRAM — By R. J. Fairbairn

Now that the COMMODORE 2040 Floppy Disk System is reaching PET owners more support programs are needed. The PET DOS SUPPORT Program is an aid to the 2040 User which humanizes the PET to 2040 interface better than direct mode BASIC statements.

This program consists of two routines; a BASIC driver routine and a machine language routine. The BASIC program calls the machine language which moves the working portion of itself up into high memory. The subroutine then links itself into the CHRGET subroutine in page zero and before returning moves the top of memory pointer down so BASIC will not destroy the working portion. The BASIC program then clears the PET screen and displays an abbreviated set of instructions before executing a NEW command.

Figure A and Figure B are the BASIC and ASSEMBLY Listings of the DOS SUPPORT Program. The programs are entered into the PET as follows. First reset the PET so the memory is initialized, this makes entry of machine code simpler. After the PET has been reset type in the BASIC program exactly as listed in figure A. Then using the machine language monitor enter the object code for the machine language subroutine at $0700 hex. After entry save both routines from the monitor (SA = $0400,EA = $08B8). Finally, using the instructions included in this article test the program to insure correct operation. Good luck and happy computing.

WARNING: It is advisable to use diskettes that are new or that contain no valuable data during the test phase. This will avoid loss of important data and your time.

The purpose of this program is to aid the CBM or PET 2001 User in operating the 2040 Dual Floppy Disk System. This instruction sheet has been written with the assumption that the reader has a working knowledge of the 2001 series and the 2040.

NOTE: This program has been placed in the public domain but if you would like us to produce a copy for you, send us a blank disk and we'll duplicate the DOS SUPPORT Program on it at no charge. Though, we do ask that you include a self-addressed ,stamped envelope. If you have any comments or suggestions on the following, please refer them to the editor.

The normal method with which the PET communicates with an IEEE Buss device is by the BASIC commands OPEN, PRINT, GET, INPUT and CLOSE. These statements are somewhat verbose in nature and therefore more prone to operator error. There is also the limitation that INPUT and GET cannot be used in direct mode due to shared buffer areas. These conditions are easily handled with the DOS SUPPORT PROGRAM.

DOS SUPPORT PROGRAM may be loaded (saved) as if it were a normal BASIC program. Note should be made of the fact that the 2040 has a special load file name '*' which if used immediatly after power up (reset) executes the following:

1. Initalizes Drive 0
2. Loads the first file on that drive

Thus if the command LOAD"*",8 is executed and the DOS SUPPORT Program is the first directory entry it will be loaded. When the DOS SUPPORT Program is executed it re-locates itself up into the highest available RAM memory locations, links into the CHRGET routine and adjusts BASIC's top of memory pointer down. This technique uses about 350 bytes of the Users memory but normal machine operations may proceed without having to reload the DOS SUPPORT Program until such time that a system reset is performed.

The DOS SUPPORT Program functions by capturing the data that the PET operating system passes to BASIC, before the inter-preter has a chance to parse it. Thus we can look for Key (escape) characters and process the disk command which follows without the use or knowledge of the BASIC interpreter.

There are four key characters that are recognized by the DOS SUPPORT Program. They will be processed only when they are found in column one of an input line, otherwise a SYNTAX ERROR will occur.

DOS SUPPORT KEY CHARACTERS

@ or > - Passes commands to the Disk.
/ - LOAD's a program.
↑ - LOAD's and RUN's a program.

The greater than symbol when used preceeding a 2040 Disk command passes that command directly to the Floppy Disk System. See the following examples.

```
Thus:
>IØ
is the same as:
PRINT#15,"IØ"
and:
>SØ:FILE1
is equal to:
PRINT#15,"SØ:FILE1"
```

As you can see the > symbol is a substitute for the PRINT#15 statement. Remember that an OPEN statement is required before a PRINT may be executed but no OPEN is required for the DOS SUPPORT Program.

The second function of the > command is the directory list command. As you know the directory of a minidisk can be loaded with a LOAD"$Ø",8. This LOAD will destroy any program you might have in memory. To avoid the destruction of the current program the DOS SUPPORT program prints the directory on the screen.

To avoid possible directory scrolling, you may depress the SPACE key to stop the listing of a directory. Depress any key to continue the listing - or you may depress the RUN/STOP key to stop the directory listing and return to BASIC.

```
>$Ø
```

Means - Display the entire directory of Drive Ø

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>$1:Q*
```

Means - Display the directory entries of all files on Drive 1 that have names starting with the letter Q.

The third function of the > command is the error channel interrogation feature. The error channel is read by typing a > followed immediately by a RETURN. This is equivilent to the following program segment.

```
10 OPEN 15,8,15
20 INPUT#15,ER,MSG$,DRV,SEC
30?ER",MSG$","DRV","SEC
```

For Users that have the CBM Model Business Keyboard the "@" key may be used in place of the > for key entry convience. This eliminates shifting for this command.

The LOAD / and LOAD-RUN ↑ command characters operate the same as their BASIC counterparts only with a simplified syntax as follows: /WUMPUS

- This command will load the program file WUMPUS. Both drives will be searched if required.

↑1:COPY DISK FILES

-This command will load the program COPY DISK FILES from Drive 1 (if it is there) and execute it.

The following requirements and limitations are placed on the DOS SUPPORT Program User.

1. The DOS SUPPORT commands may only be used in the direct mode.

2. The commands must start in Column 1.

The user may print the directory by using the following commands:

OPEN 4,4: CMD4	: Opens device 4 and changes the primary output device to 4
>$Ø	: Print the directory
PRINT#4 : CLOSE 4	: Return the default output device to the screen and close the file

```
5 SYS2222
10 PRINT"□"TAB(11)"_____"
20 PRINTTAB(11)"■ PET DOS SUPPORT "
30 PRINTTAB(14)"NOW  LOADED
40 PRINTTAB(9)"  COMMANDS FOLLOWING"
50 PRINTTAB(7)"A > OR @  IN COLUMN 1 WILL"
60 PRINTTAB(9)"BE PASSED TO THE DISK.■"
90 PRINTTAB(7)"CMD        DESCRIPTION"
140 PRINTTAB(7)"$      DIRECTORY BOTH DRIVES
150 PRINTTAB(7)"$0     DIRECTORY DRIVE 0
160 PRINTTAB(7)"$1     DIRECTORY DRIVE 1■"
180 PRINTTAB(7)"  ALL 2040 COMMANDS MAY BE
190 PRINTTAB(7)"ENTERED AS IF THEY WERE IN
200 PRINTTAB(7)"A PRINT# STATEMENT.
220 PRINTTAB(11)"■■SPECIAL COMMANDS
230 PRINTTAB(7)"■/      LOAD A PROGRAM
240 PRINTTAB(7)"↑      RUN  A PROGRAM
250 PRINT"  SPECIAL COMMANDS START IN COL 1 AND
260 PRINT"ARE FOLLOWED BY A 2040 FILENAME.
270 NEW
```

```
LINE# LOC   CODE          LINE

0001  0000              ;**********************************
0002  0000              ;*
0003  0000              ;*  PET DOS SUPPORT
0004  0000              ;*
0005  0000              ;*    04-27-79
0006  0000              ;*
0007  0000              ;*  BOB FAIRBAIRN
0008  0000              ;*
0009  0000              ;**********************************
0010  0000              ;*
0011  0000              ;* VERSION 3.1 6/14/79
0012  0000              ;*    ADD @ PROMPT FOR BUSINESS
0013  0000              ;*    KEYBOARD. ADD STOP KEY CHECK
0014  0000              ;*    IN DIRECTORY PRINT. ADD
0015  0000              ;*    HALT IN DIRECTORY PRINT
0016  0000              ;*
0017  0000              ;* VERSION 3.2 7/2/79
0018  0000              ;*    FOR (-04) ROM
0019  0000              ;*    WITH LOAD ADDRESS ONE OFF
0020  0000              ;*    BYTE LOW.
0021  0000              ;*
0022  0000              ;* VERSION 3.3 7/2/79
0023  0000              ;*    ADD STACK LOOKUP FOR
0024  0000              ;*    ACTIVATION.
0025  0000              ;*
0026  0000              ;* VERSION 4.0 7/5/79
0027  0000              ;*    ADD CONTROL FOR CMD DURING
0028  0000              ;*    A DIRECTORY LISTING.
0029  0000              ;*

0031  0000              ;
0032  0000              ;BASIC VARIABLES USED
0033  0000              ;
0034  0000              VERCK  =$9D           ;VERIFY FLAG
0035  0000              SAL    =$C7           ;INDIRECT POINTER LO
0036  0000              SAH    =$C8           ;HI
0037  0000              WSW    =$B3           ;UNUSED FLAG (BASIC)
0038  0000              CNTDN  =$BA           ;SAVE AREA
0039  0000              GRBTOP =$5C           ;INDIRECT POINTER
0040  0000              MEMSIZ =$34           ;POINTER TO TOP MEM
0041  0000              TXTPTR =$77           ;POINTER TO BUF
0042  0000              SPERR  =$10           ;EOI ERROR BIT
0043  0000              BUF    =$0200         ;BASIC INPUT BUFFER
0044  0000              SATUS  =$96           ;STATUS BYTE
0045  0000              SA     =$D3           ;SECONDARY ADDRESS
0046  0000              FA     =$D4           ;PRIMARY ADDRESS
0047  0000              LA     =$D2           ;LOGICAL DEVICE #
0048  0000              FNLEN  =$D1           ;FILE NAME LENGTH
0049  0000              FNADR  =$DA           ;FILE NAME ADDRESS
0050  0000              EAL    =$C9           ;END ADDR LO
0051  0000              EAH    =$CA           ;HI
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0052  0000                  DFLTO  =$B0            ;DEFAULT OUTPUT DEV.
0053  0000                  VARTAB =$2A            ;END OF BASIC PGM.
0054  0000                  TMP2   =$FD            ;TEMP VARIABLE
0055  0000                  ;
0056  0000                  ;PROGRAM VARIABLES
0057  0000                  ;
0058  0000                  CR     =$0D            ;SYMBOLIC CARRIAGE RETURN
0059  0000                  FLAG   =WSW            ;BYTE USED AS A FLAG
0060  0000                  PIAK   =$E812          ;KEYBOARD I/O PORT
3061  0000                  CMDLN  =CMDEND-CMD     ;LENGTH OF RELOCATE

0063  0000                  ;
0064  0000                  ;PET ROUTINES USED
0065  0000                  ;
0066  0000                  LINPRT =$DCD9          ;PRINT LINE #
0067  0000                  SPMSG  =$F315          ;SEND A MESSAGE
0068  0000                  LD15   =$F322          ;LOAD ROUTINE
0069  0000                  TWAIT  =$F8E6          ;WAIT FOR STOP KEY
0070  0000                  CHRGET =$70            ;INPUTS CHARACTERS
0071  0000                  CHRGOT =$76            ;GET LAST CHAR
0072  0000                  NEWSTT =$C6C4          ;NEW STATEMENT EXEC
0073  0000                  PRT    =$E3D8          ;PRINT A CHARACTER
0074  0000                  LISTN  =$F0BA          ;SEND LISTEN
0075  0000                  SECND  =$F128          ;SEND SA
0076  0000                  CIOUT  =$F16F          ;SEND CHARACTER
0077  0000                  UNLSN  =$F183          ;UN LISTEN
0078  0000                  ACPTR  =$F18C          ;GET A CHARCATER
0079  0000                  TALK   =$F0B6          ;SEND TALK
0080  0000                  OPENI  =$F466          ;OPEN FILE
0081  0000                  FCLOSE =$F2AE          ;CLOSE FILE
0082  0000                  READY  =$C389          ;REENTER BASIC
0083  0000                  RUNC   =$C572          ;CLEAR VARIABLES
0084  0000                  LNKPRG =$C442          ;LINK BASIC LINES
0085  0000                  UNTLK  =$F17F          ;UN TALK
0086  0000                  STXTPT =$C5A7          ;SET START TEXT POINTER
0087  0000                  CHKIN  =$F770          ;CHECK IN
0088  0000                  CHKOUT =$F7BC          ;CHECK OUT
0089  0000                  CLRCHN =$FFCC          ;CLEAR CHANNEL
0090  0000                  BASIN  =$FFCF          ;BASIC IN
0091  0000                  STOP1  =$F301          ;CHECK FOR STOP KEY
0092  0000                  BSOUT  =$FFD2          ;BASIC OUT
0093  0000                  FOPEN  =$F524          ;FILE OPEN
0094  0000                  LD209  =$F3E6          ;LOAD ERROR

0096  0000                  ;
0097  0000                  ;WEDGE IN ROUTINE WITH THE
0098  0000                  ;COMMAND PARSER AND EXECUTITION
0099  0000                  ;
0100  0000                         *=$0700
0101  0700                  ;
0102  0700  EA              CMD    NOP             ;THROWN AWAY
0103  0701  E6 77                  INC TXTPTR      ;BUMP POINTER
0104  0703  D0 02                  BNE WG100
0105  0705  E6 78                  INC TXTPTR+1
0106  0707  86 B3          WG100  STX WSW         ;SAVE X IN WSW
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0107  0709  BA                TSX             ;GET STACK POINTER
0108  070A  BD 01 01          LDA $0101,X
0109  070D  C9 9B            CMP #$9B        ;WERE WE CALLED BY MAIN
0110  070F  D0 3A            BNE NOMAIN      ;NO...
0111  0711  BD 02 01          LDA $0102,X     ;MAYBE?
0112  0714  C9 C3            CMP #$C3
0113  0716  D0 33            BNE NOMAIN      ;NOT THERE...
0114  0718  A5 77            LDA TXTPTR      ;FIRST COLUMN
0115  071A  D0 2C            BNE WG997       ;GET OUT NOT FIRST CHR
0116  071C  A5 78            LDA TXTPTR+1
0117  071E  C9 02            CMP #>BUF       ;IN BUFFER?
0118  0720  D0 26            BNE WG997
0119  0722                  ;
0120  0722  A0 00          WG110 LDY #0          ;.Y IS BUF INDEX
0121  0724  84 B3            STY FLAG        ;FLAG SET FOR DIR
0122  0726  B1 77            LDA (TXTPTR),Y
0123  0728  C9 3E            CMP #'>         ;COMMAND PROMPT?
0124  072A  F0 11            BEQ WG115       ;YES...
0125  072C  C9 40            CMP #'@         ;BUSINESS KEYBOARD PROMPT
0126  072E  F0 0D            BEQ WG115       ;YES...
0127  0730  C8              INY
0128  0731  85 B3            STA FLAG        ;SET FLAG FOR LOAD
0129  0733  C9 2F            CMP #'/         ;LOAD PROMPT
0130  0735  F0 63            BEQ DODIR
0131  0737  C9 5E            CMP #94         ;CHECK FOR ARROW
0132  0739  F0 5F            BEQ DODIR
0133  073B  D0 0B            BNE WG997
0134  073D  C8              WG115 INY
0135  073E  B1 77            LDA (TXTPTR),Y
0136  0740  F0 32            BEQ RDERR       ;READ ERROR CHANNEL
0137  0742  C9 24            CMP #'$         ;DIRECTORY?
0138  0744  F0 54            BEQ DODIR       ;YES
0139  0746  D0 08            BNE NOTDIR
0140  0748  4C 76 00       WG997 JMP CHRGOT
0141  074B  A6 B3          NOMAIN LDX WSW        ;RESTORE .X AND
0142  074D  4C 76 00            JMP CHRGOT      ;RETURN TO CHRGOT

0144  0750                  ;
0145  0750                  ; SEND COMMAND TO DISK
0146  0750                  ;
0147  0750  A9 08          NOTDIR LDA #8         ;GET DEVICE ADDRESS
0148  0752  85 D4              STA FA
0149  0754  A9 6F              LDA #$6F        ;SECONDARY ADDRESS 15
0150  0756  85 D3              STA SA
0151  0758  20 BA F0           JSR LISTN
0152  075B  A5 D3              LDA SA
0153  075D  20 28 F1           JSR SECND       ;SEND SECONDARY ADDR
0154  0760  E6 77          BUMP  INC TXTPTR
0155  0762  A0 00              LDY #0          ;INDEX=0
0156  0764  B1 77              LDA (TXTPTR),Y  ;GET THE FIRST CHARACTER
0157  0766  F0 06              BEQ WG120       ;ZERO IS LAST CHAR
0158  0768  20 6F F1           JSR CIOUT       ;SEND THE CHAR
0159  076B  B8                CLV
0160  076C  50 F2              BVC BUMP        ;MORE
0161  076E                  ;
0162  076E  20 83 F1       WG120  JSR UNLSN      ;UN LISTEN
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0163  0771  B8             CLV
0164  0772  50 23          BVC WG998
0165  0774                 ;
0166  0774                 ; READ THE ERROR CHANNEL
0167  0774                 ;
0168  0774  84 77          RDERR  STY TXTPTR       ;FIX POINTER
0169  0776  A9 08                 LDA #8           ;SET FA
0170  0778  85 D4                 STA FA
0171  077A  20 B6 F0              JSR TALK
0172  077D  A9 6F                 LDA #$6F         ;COMMAND CHANNEL SA
0173  077F  85 D3                 STA SA
0174  0781  20 28 F1              JSR SECND        ;SEND SA
0175  0784  20 8C F1     WG140    JSR ACPTR        ;GET BYTE FROM DISK
0176  0787  C9 0D                 CMP #CR
0177  0789  F0 06                 BEQ WG130
0178  078B  20 D8 E3              JSR PRT          ;PRINT BYTE TO SCREEN
0179  078E  B8                   CLV
0180  078F  50 F3                 BVC WG140        ;LOOP FOR MORE
0181  0791  20 D8 E3     WG130    JSR PRT          ;PRINT CR
0182  0794  20 7F F1              JSR UNTLK        ;UN TALK
0183  0797  4C 76 00     WG998    JMP CHRGOT       ;DONE WITH CMD

0185  079A                 ;
0186  079A                 ;PRINT THE DIRECTORY
0187  079A                 ;
0188  079A  C8             DODIR  INY              ;GET LENGTH OF CMD
0189  079B  B1 77                 LDA (TXTPTR),Y
0190  079D  D0 FB                 BNE DODIR
0191  079F  88                    DEY
0192  07A0  84 D1                 STY FNLEN        ;SET LENGTH (-1)
0193  07A2  A9 01                 LDA #<BUF+1      ;FILE NAME ADDRESS
0194  07A4  85 DA                 STA FNADR
0195  07A6  A9 02                 LDA #>BUF
0196  07A8  85 DB                 STA FNADR+1
0197  07AA  A9 08                 LDA #8           ;DEVICE ADDRESS
0198  07AC  85 D4                 STA FA
0199  07AE  A5 B3                 LDA FLAG         ; 0 MEANS DIR
0200  07B0  D0 53                 BNE LOADB        ;DO A LOAD
0201  07B2  A5 D2                 LDA LA           ;SAVE LA
0202  07B4  85 B3                 STA WSW
0203  07B6  A5 B0                 LDA DFLTO        ;SAVE DFLTO
0204  07B8  85 BA                 STA CNTDN
0205  07BA  A9 60                 LDA #$60         ;SECONDARY ADDR
0206  07BC  85 D3                 STA SA
0207  07BE  A9 0E                 LDA #14          ;OPEN THE FILE
0208  07C0  85 D2                 STA LA
0209  07C2  20 83 F1              JSR UNLSN        ;DON'T LISTEN TO FLOPPY
0210  07C5  20 24 F5              JSR FOPEN
0211  07C8  A9 00                 LDA #0
0212  07CA  85 96                 STA SATUS        ;SET STATUS TO 0
0213  07CC  A0 03                 LDY #$03         ;LOOP THREE TIMES
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0215  07CE  84 D1        WG220   STY FNLEN       ;SAVE NEW COUNT
0216  07D0  A2 0E                LDX #14         ;DISK CHANNEL
0217  07D2  20 70 F7             JSR CHKIN
0218  07D5  20 CF FF             JSR BASIN
0219  07D8  85 FD                STA TMP2
0220  07DA  A4 96                LDY SATUS       ;CHECK STATUS
0221  07DC  D0 29                BNE WG235B      ;BAD STATUS
0222  07DE  20 CF FF             JSR BASIN
0223  07E1  85 FE                STA TMP2+1
0224  07E3  A4 96                LDY SATUS       ;CHECK STATUS
0225  07E5  D0 20                BNE WG235B
0226  07E7  A4 D1                LDY FNLEN       ;MORE TO DO?
0227  07E9  88                   DEY
0228  07EA  D0 E2                BNE WG220       ;NOT DONE YET
0229  07EC  20 CC FF             JSR CLRCHN      ;CLEAR CHANNEL
0230  07EF  A6 BA                LDX CNTDN       ;CHECK DFLTO FOR SCREEN
0231  07F1  E0 03                CPX #3
0232  07F3  F0 05                BEQ *+7
0233  07F5  A6 B3                LDX WSW         ;OPEN THE PRINT CHANNEL
0234  07F7  20 BC F7             JSR CHKOUT
0235  07FA  A6 FD                LDX TMP2
0236  07FC  A5 FE                LDA TMP2+1
0237  07FE  20 D9 DC             JSR LINPRT      ;PRINT LINE NUMBER
0238  0801  A9 20                LDA #'          ;PRINT A SPACE
0239  0803  D0 06                BNE SKIPB       ;SKIP OVER BRANCHES
0240  0805  D0 6C        LOADB   BNE LOAD        ;(JMP)
0241  0807  D0 5D        WG235B  BNE WG230       ;(JMP)
0242  0809  D0 C3        WG220B  BNE WG220       ;(JMP)
0243  080B  20 D2 FF     SKIPB   JSR BSOUT
0244  080E  20 CC FF             JSR CLRCHN
0245  0811  A2 0E        WG250   LDX #14         ;DISK CHANNEL
0246  0813  20 70 F7             JSR CHKIN
0247  0816  20 CF FF             JSR BASIN
0248  0819  48                   PHA
0249  081A  20 CC FF             JSR CLRCHN
0250  081D  68                   PLA
0251  081E  A6 96                LDX SATUS
0252  0820  D0 44                BNE WG230       ;BAD
0253  0822  C9 00                CMP #0          ;EOL
0254  0824  F0 26                BEQ WG240
0255  0826  A6 BA                LDX CNTDN       ;CHECK DFLTO FOR SCREEN
0256  0828  E0 03                CPX #3
0257  082A  F0 05                BEQ *+7
0258  082C  A6 B3                LDX WSW
0259  082E  20 BC F7             JSR CHKOUT
0260  0831  20 D2 FF             JSR BSOUT
0261  0834  20 CC FF             JSR CLRCHN
0262  0837                   ;
0263  0837                   ;CHECK FOR STOP KEY AND PAUSE
3264  0837                   ;
0265  0837  20 01 F3             JSR STOP1       ;STOP KEY
0266  083A  F0 2A                BEQ WG230       ;YES...
0267  083C  20 E4 FF             JSR $FFE4       ;GET A CHAR FROM KEYBOARD
0268  083F  F0 D0                BEQ WG250       ;NOTHING...
0269  0841  C9 20                CMP #$20        ;SPACE BAR?
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0270  0843  D0 CC          BNE WG250       ;NO...
0271  0845  20 E4 FF  WG255 JSR $FFE4       ;ANY KEY STARTS
0272  0848  F0 FB          BEQ WG255
0273  084A  D0 C5          BNE WG250       ;(JMP)
0274  084C                ;
0275  084C  A9 0D        WG240 LDA #CR
0276  084E  A6 BA          LDX CNTDN       ;CHECK DFLTO FOR SCREEN
0277  0850  E0 03          CPX #3
0278  0852  F0 05          BEQ *+7
0279  0854  A6 B3          LDX WSW
0280  0856  20 BC F7        JSR CHKOUT
0281  0859  20 D2 FF        JSR BSOUT
0282  085C  20 CC FF        JSR CLRCHN
0283  085F  20 83 F1        JSR UNLSN
0284  0862  A0 02          LDY #$02        ; DO TWICE
0285  0864  D0 A3          BNE WG220B
0286  0866                ;
0287  0866                ;CLOSE FLOPPY AND RETURN
0288  0866                ;
0289  0866  20 CC FF  WG230 JSR CLRCHN
0290  0869  A9 0E          LDA #14         ;CLOSE FLOPPY
0291  086B  20 AE F2        JSR FCLOSE
0292  086E  68              PLA             ;CLEAN UP THE STACK
0293  086F  68              PLA
0294  0870  4C 89 C3        JMP READY       ;RETURN "READY"

0296  0873                ;
0297  0873                ; LOAD A FILE
0298  0873                ;
0299  0873  A9 00        LOAD  LDA #0
0300  0875  85 96          STA SATUS       ;CLEAR STATUS
0301  0877  85 9D          STA VERCK       ;LOAD NOT VERIFY
0302  0879  20 22 F3        JSR LD15        ;LOAD A PROGRAM
0303  087C  A5 96          LDA SATUS
0304  087E  29 10          AND #SPERR      ;CHECK STATUS (EOI OK)
0305  0880  D0 28          BNE LDERR
0306  0882  AD 84 F3        LDA $F384       ;CHECK FOR (-04) ROM
0307  0885  30 06          BMI LOAD1       ;NOT (-04)....
0308  0887  E6 C9          INC EAL         ;FIX THE LOAD (-04) ROM
0309  0889  D0 02          BNE LOAD1
0310  088B  E6 CA          INC EAH
0311  088D  A5 CA        LOAD1 LDA EAH     ;SET BASIC'S POINTERS
0312  088F  85 2B          STA VARTAB+1
0313  0891  A5 C9          LDA EAL
0314  0893  85 2A          STA VARTAB
0315  0895  20 72 C5        JSR RUNC        ;FIX POINTERS
0316  0898  20 42 C4        JSR LNKPRG      ;FIX LINKS
0317  089B  A5 B3          LDA FLAG        ;CHECK FOR LOAD OR RUN
0318  089D  C9 2F          CMP #'/         ;LOAD ?
0319  089F  D0 03          BNE WG300       ;NO...
0320  08A1  4C 89 C3        JMP READY       ;LOAD RETURN TO BASIC
0321  08A4  20 A7 C5  WG300 JSR STXTPT      ;SET TXTPTR FOR RUN
0322  08A7  4C C4 C6        JMP NEWSTT      ;RUN PROGRAM
0323  08AA  4C E6 F3  LDERR JMP LD209       ;PRINT "LOAD ERROR"
0324  08AD                CMDEND
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0326  08AD                    ;
0327  08AD                    ;THIS ROUTINE POKES TOP OF MEMORY
0328  08AD                    ;DOWN RELOCATES THE PARSER AND
0329  08AD                    ;SETS THE WEDGE
0330  08AD                    ;
0331  08AD  A5 34     POKE    LDA MEMSIZ        ;POKE TOP DOWN
0332  08AF  18                CLC               ;MINUS ONE
0333  08B0  E9 AD             SBC #<CMDLN
0334  08B2  85 34             STA MEMSIZ
0335  08B4  A5 35             LDA MEMSIZ+1
0336  08B6  E9 01             SBC #>CMDLN
0337  08B8  85 35             STA MEMSIZ+1
0338  08BA                    ;
0339  08BA                    ;MOVE THE CODE
0340  08BA                    ;
0341  08BA  A0 01     MOVE    LDY #$01          ;SET UP FROM ADDR
0342  08BC  A9 00             LDA #<CMD
0343  08BE  85 C7             STA SAL
0344  08C0  A9 07             LDA #>CMD
0345  08C2  85 C8             STA SAH
0346  08C4  A5 34             LDA MEMSIZ        ;SET UP TO ADDR
0347  08C6  85 5C             STA ORBTOP
0348  08C8  A5 35             LDA MEMSIZ+1
0349  08CA  85 5D             STA ORBTOP+1
0350  08CC  B1 C7     MOV1    LDA (SAL),Y       ;RELOCATE
0351  08CE  91 5C             STA (ORBTOP),Y
0352  08D0  C8                INY
0353  08D1  D0 F9             BNE MOV1
0354  08D3  E6 5D             INC ORBTOP+1
0355  08D5  E6 C8             INC SAH
0356  08D7  A5 C8             LDA SAH
0357  08D9  C9 08             CMP #>CMDEND
0358  08DB  F0 02             BEQ MOV2
0359  08DD  B0 04             BCS WEDGE
0360  08DF  A0 00     MOV2    LDY #0
0361  08E1  F0 E9             BEQ MOV1
0362  08E3                    ;
0363  08E3                    ;WEDGE INTO BASIC
0364  08E3                    ;
0365  08E3  A9 4C     WEDGE   LDA #$4C          ;JUMP INSTRUCTION
0366  08E5  85 70             STA CHRGET
0367  08E7  A4 34             LDY MEMSIZ
0368  08E9  A6 35             LDX MEMSIZ+1
0369  08EB  C8                INY
0370  08EC  D0 01             BNE WEDGE1
0371  08EE  E8                INX
0372  08EF  84 71     WEDGE1  STY CHRGET+1
0373  08F1  86 72             STX CHRGET+2
0374  08F3  60                RTS
0375  08F4                    .END

ERRORS = 0000
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SYMBOL TABLE

SYMBOL	VALUE						
ACPTR	F18C	BASIN	FFCF	BSOUT	FFD2	BUF	0200
BUMP	0760	CHKIN	F770	CHKOUT	F7BC	CHRGET	0070
CHRGOT	0076	CIOUT	F16F	CLRCHN	FFCC	CMD	0700
CMDEND	08AD	CMDLN	01AD	CNTDN	00BA	CR	000D
DFLTO	00B0	DODIR	079A	EAH	00CA	EAL	00C9
FA	00D4	FCLOSE	F2AE	FLAG	00B3	FNADR	00DA
FNLEN	00D1	FOPEN	F524	GRBTOP	005C	LA	00D2
LD15	F322	LD209	F3E6	LDERR	08AA	LINPRT	DCD9
LISTN	F0BA	LNKPRG	C442	LOAD	0873	LOAD1	088D
LOADB	0805	MEMSIZ	0034	MOV1	08CC	MOV2	08DF
MOVE	08BA	NEWSTT	C6C4	NOMAIN	074B	NOTDIR	0750
OPENI	F466	PIAK	E812	POKE	08AD	PRT	E3D8
RDERR	0774	READY	C389	RUNC	C572	SA	00D3
SAH	00C8	SAL	00C7	SATUS	0096	SECND	F128
SKIPB	080B	SPERR	0010	SPMSG	F315	STOP1	F301
STXTPT	C5A7	TALK	F0B6	TMP2	00FD	TWAIT	F8E6
TXTPTR	0077	UNLSN	F183	UNTLK	F17F	VARTAB	002A
VERCK	009D	WEDGE	08E3	WEDGE1	08EF	WG100	0707
WG110	0722	WG115	073D	WG120	076E	WG130	0791
WG140	0784	WG220	07CE	WG220B	0809	WG230	0866
WG235B	0807	WG240	084C	WG250	0811	WG255	0845
WG300	08A4	WG997	0748	WG998	0797	WSW	00B3

END OF ASSEMBLY

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Random Access File Indexing

For those writing programs that have random access record handling, a routine has been developed by Jim Hindson of Burlington, Ontario. The routine is basically an algorithm that will convert a record number into the location of the record within the file.

2040 Disk — Jim Hindson

Index and Main Record locations for:

a) Index file of records at 10 records per sector
b) Main file of records at 3 records per sector

Task A - Divide available sectors into sectors to be used as the index file and sectors to be used for the main file and to obtain an equal number of each record type (index and main) on a diskette.

For 10 index records/sector and 3 main records/sector, one plan would be as follows:

Index Records

Record No.	Track No.	Sector No.	
1 - 200	1	1 - 20	(1)
201 - 400	2	1 - 20	
401 - 600	3	1 - 20	
601 - 800	4	1 - 20	
801 - 1000	5	1 - 20	
1001 - 1200	6	1 - 20	
1201 - 1400	7	1 - 20	
1401 - 1500	8	1 - 10	

Main Records

Record No.	Track No.	Sector No.	
1 - 567	9 - 17	0 - 20	
Track 18 reserved for directory			
568 - 927	19 - 24	0 - 19	
928 - 1251	25 - 30	0 - 17	
1252 - 1500	31 - 35	0 - 16	(2)

Each of the four Main Record areas will be known as track zones.

Note (1) Although sector 0 is available on tracks 1 - 8, it is not used in this example.
(2) Sector 15 & 16 of track 35 not used

Task B - Write a subroutine to convert any record number (say NR) to the track, sector and record number within the sector.

Variable Identification

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   NR : Number of the Record, the location of which is
        required
TR(1) : Index file track number for NR
TR(2) :  Main file track number for NR
SN(1) : Index file sector number for NR
SN(2) :  Main file sector number for NR
SR(1) : Index file record number for NR (1-10)
SR(2) :  Main file record number for NR (1-3)

Z(1) - Z(4) : delimiters for the track zones which have a
              different number of available sectors
        B1 : number of records per track ( within a track
             zone )
         A : B1-1
         C : 1 less than the lowest track number in a
             track zone
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By using this subroutine it is not necessay to carry any information on the index file about where the record is located on the main file.

Subroutine Convert

Fed NR, this subroutine will return TR(1), SN(1), SR(1) and TR(2), SN(2), SR(2) for a 1500 record file of 1500 index records at 10 records/sector and 1500 main records at 3 records/sector.

```
40500 REM *** SUBROUTINE CONVERT ***
40501 REM +++ FIND INDEX FILE LOCATION +++
40502 Z = (NR + 199)/200
40505 TR(1) = INT(Z)
40510 Z1 = NR - ((TR(1) - 1)*200)
40515 Z2 = (Z1 + 9)/10
40520 SN(1) = INT(Z2)
40525 Z3 = Z1 - ((SN(1) - 1)*10)
40530 SR(1) = INT(Z3)

40550 REM +++ FIND MAIN FILE LOCATION +++
40549 Z(1) = 567 : Z(2) = 927
40552 Z(3) = 1251 : Z(4) = 1506
40560 FOR J = 1 TO 4                          :find track
40565 IF NR - Z(J) <= 0 THEN 40576             zone
40575 NEXT J
40576 NZ = NR
40578 IF J > 1 THEN NZ = NR - Z(J-1)          :convert to number
                                               within track zone
40580 ON J GOTO 40591,40592,40593,40594
40591 A=62 : B1=63 : C=8  : GOTO 40600        :define
40592 A=59 : B1=60 : C=18 : GOTO 40600         zone
40593 A=53 : B1=54 : C=24 : GOTO 40600         parameters
40594 A=50 : B1=51 : C=30
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40600 Z =(NZ + A)/B1                    find
40605 TR(2) = INT(Z)                    track.
40610 Z1 = NZ - ((TR(2) - 1)*B1)
40615 Z2 = (Z1 + 2)/3
40620 SN(2) = INT(Z2)                   sector.
40625 Z3 = Z1 - ((SN(2) - 1)*3)
40630 SR(2) = INT(Z3)                   record
40640 TR(2) = TR(2) + C                 compensate for # of
40650 SN(2) = SN(2) - 1                 tracks in lower and
                                        availability of
                                        sector 0.

40660 RETURN
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Editor's Note

You may be asking, "Why an index file routine and a main file routine when the whole purpose is to do away with the index ?". The index file really doesn't do any indexing and might have been called a 'sub-main' file. Jim developed the program for his own use and found it more efficient to split each entry into 2 files: an "index" file for name and Social Insurance Number and a main file for any remaining info (address, phone #, etc.). It was anticipated that 110 characters would be required for each entry. With 255 byte sectors, this would impose a restriction of 2 entries per sector, wasting 35 bytes. The maximum would also be restricted to 2*670 (blank disk has 670 sectors) or 1340. By splitting up the entries into 25 and 85, each sector or block can filled to capacity allowing 1500 entries. This figure could also be increased as some blocks are unused.

This method of indexing has only one drawback: NR. That is, each item in the file must have a number (1, 2, 3...etc.) that may be irrelevant to the data being recorded. Therefore, access to a record requires entry of the corresponding 'NR' and in the above example NR has a range of 1 to 1500.

This would be ideal for applications such as a mailing list where each subscriber has a number, but for a inventory it becomes somewhat impractical since 'NR' will probably not be your part number. However, Jim's method is still simpler than recording disk co-ordinates. Consider this: have PET assign "NR's" to the record element that will be primarily used for record recall. For example:

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(Part #1) , X
(Part #2) , X+1
(Part #3) , X+2
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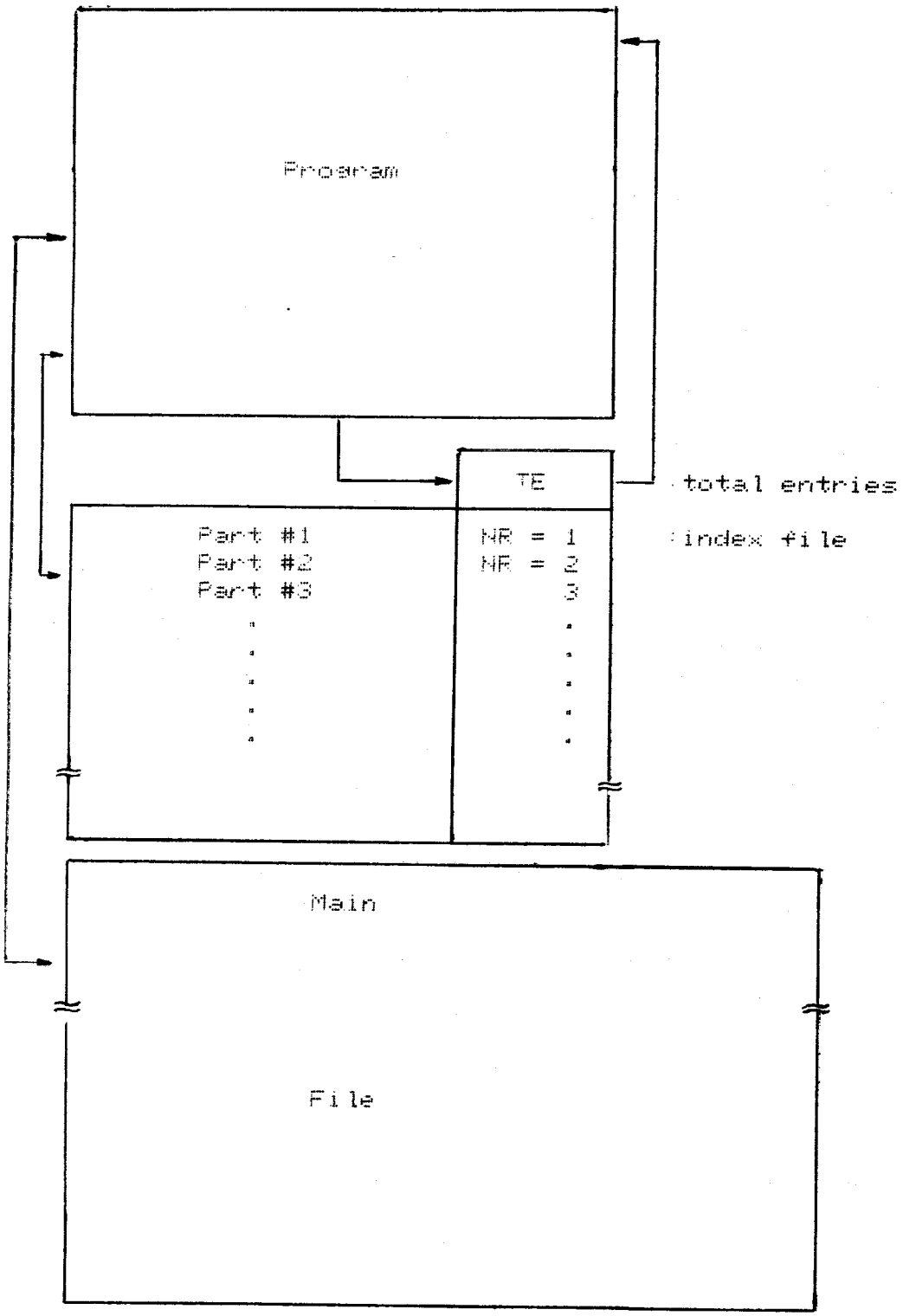
...and so on. This information could be stored in an random index file along with the total number of entries (TE) so that PET would know where to start assigning new NR's to new entries.

With the desired Part # entered, the index file could be searched, NR extracted and passed into Jim's main file subroutine.

Once the track and sector co-ordinates are determined (TR(2) and SN(2)), these can now be inserted in the Block-Read command and SN(2) in the Buffer-Pointer command for rapid record access. You might also consider using Bill Maclean's Block Get routine for transfering data from disk to PET.

System layout for above:



INDEXING PROGRAMMES ON CASSETTE by Michael Casey

At the April meeting of the Pet Users Club, I discussed a revised tape index programme which I had developed. Since then, I have had several requests to document my theory so that everyone can take advantage of it. I started thinking about this subject after reading David Wilcox's index programme in the Pet User Notes. I tried his index programme and it worked well. However, it had a few disadvantages which I was determined to eliminate:

1) it was very tedious to create an indexed cassette (the index programme had to be run each time you added a programme)
2) a lot of tape was wasted
3) his formula was too restrictive.

Items (2) and (3) were partially resolved by including an array of the programme lengths in the index programme itself, calculating the summations of these lengths for each programme and applying these summations to his formula to calculate the FFWD times. Item (1) could not be resolved without changing his entire concept which involved the splitting of the tape into FFWD time segments.

My objective, then, was to find an indexing formula which would divide the tape in terms of length rather than time. It took me quite a while to find the solution. My biggest hangup was trying to forget the notion of a "fast-forward ratio" which, by the way, is a totally insignificant and utterly meaningless term.

The description which I am about to describe is based, to some extent, on the specifications of my particular PET. Because of the different characteristics of PETs, tapes and tape drives, it may be necessary for you to adjust some of the parameters that I used. So that you will be able to do this, I have included all of the factors and all of the formulae.

Basic Factors

a) the fast-forward reel revolves at a constant rate although it may take a few jiffies to get up to normal speed and it doesn't stop on a dime.
b) I was using a C60 Realistic Supertape which contained 281' of tape or 3372". The diameter of the empty spool was .875" and the thickness of the tape was .0068". The diameter of a full spool was 2.0".
c) the total time to FFWD the entire tape including front & back leaders was 5906 jiffies (obtained through experimentation)
d) normal play speed = 1.875"/second
e) both the programme and its label are written twice on a SAVE. The length of 1 label = 192 bytes.
f) the front leader on a SAVE is 10 seconds and there is a 2 second leader between the first and second set of recordings. In addition, there is a small gap between the programmes and the labels.

g) the formula for the circumference of a circle = π X diameter
h) the formula for determining the roots of a quadratic equation is

$$\frac{-b \pm \text{square root of } b^2 - 4ac}{2a}$$

i) the formula for the sum of an arithmetic progression is

$$\frac{m \times (a_1 + a_n)}{2}$$

where a_1 is the first term
a_n is the last term
n is the number of terms and
m is the difference between terms

Step 1 Determine the number of revolutions to wind full tape

Length of tape = $C_1 + C_2 + \ldots C_n$ where C_1 is the circumference of the empty spool, C_2 is the circumference of the spool after 1 revolution, C_2 is the circumference of the spool afer 2 revolutions... and C_n is the circumference of the spool after n revolutions.

Therefore, $L = \pi d_1 + \pi d_2 + \ldots \pi d_n$ where d_1 is the diameter of the empty spool, d_2 is the diameter of the spool after 1 revolution... and d_n is the diameter of the full spool.
After plugging in the parameters, I used the formula for an arithmetic progression and solved the resultant equation for n, using the formula for the roots of a quadratic equation.
Based on my parameters, n = 796 meaning that winding 3372" of tape requires 796 revolutions of the spool. From this I was able to calculate the FFWD time per revolution 5906 / 796 or 7.419 jiffies per revolution.

Step 2 Determine the SAVE rate in terms of bytes per jiffy

The initial formula that I started with was

$$\text{Time to SAVE} = \text{Constant (for leaders)} + \frac{2 \times (\text{prog. + label lengths) in bytes}}{\text{bytes per jiffy}}$$

This equation has two unknown factors - the constant (which I knew was 10+2 seconds + the time to play the gaps between labels and programmes) and the rate.
I saved a couple of programmes of different lengths, noted the SAVE times and programme lengths in bytes and used this data in the above formula. This gave me two equations which I solved giving:

Constant = 730.15 jiffies
Rate = 1.8496890 bytes per jiffy

Step 3 Calculate length of a programme in inches of tape

Distance = Rate X Time
Using the formula in Step 2, I can calculate the length of time to SAVE any programme. Given that the rate of SAVE is 1.875" per second, the formula for

determining the length of any programme in inches is:

1.875 X (730.15 + (2 X (192 + L) / 1.84968901)) / 60 where L = prog. length in bytes

Step 4 Calculate # of revolutions corresponding to Y inches of tape

Using the same formula in Step 1, I can plug in Length and solve for n.

Number of revolutions for tape length L =

-734.77912 + SQR((F X F) + 4 X (534.974599 X L) / 2) where F = 1469.58824

Step 5 Calculate FFWD time for Z revolutions

Number of revolutions in Step 4 X 7.419 (calculated in Step 1).

The formulae in Steps 3 and 4 are in the Index Programme and by using the summations of programme lengths in bytes, the FFWD times can be calculated. To use this programme, SAVE it as the first programme on the cassette with dummy entries in the DATA statements. Then simply continue to load your programmes until you run out of tape. Keep a note of the programme names and (7167 - FRE(0)) in sequence as you do this so that you can plug them into the DATA statements when you have finished saving. (include INDEX) When you have loaded all the programmes, rewind tape, load INDEX, alter the DATA statements, rewind tape and SAVE"INDEX". Then you can RUN and see if it works.
It takes several seconds to do the calculations. To eliminate this delay, you could take the calculations out of INDEX, put them in a separate programme and plug the FFWD times into an array in INDEX.
Initially, I found that I wasn't able to hit programmes near the back end of the tape and I attributed this to the fact that there is some "run on" after the programme cuts the motor switch. So I reduced the FFWD times by a factor (maximum 120 jiffies) which varies directly with the relative position of each programme. This eliminated the problem.

So there it is. I hope that you will be able to use this technique to free up a pile of cassettes and start using your over 30's more efficiently.

By the way, I am using this theory, together with some others, to develop a system which I call 'CRAMPET' - Cassette Random Access Method for the PET. The concept has several limitations but I know it can work. Its main advantage is the ability to access any "record" on a tape file without reading the "file" sequentially and, the ability to go from "record" to "record". I am having a few problems with the run-on due to the fact that the "record" lengths are relatively short. However, I think this can be ironed out. Any of you who use data files and are not planning to purchase tha disk may be interested in pursuing this idea with me. Please give me a call or write to me. Together, we may be able to achieve the ultimate: 'CRUMPET' - Cassette Random Update Method for the PET.

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INDEX

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 1 DIML(20,3)
 2 DATA1,5.9,2,3.1,3,6.8,4,6.4,5,2.6,6,3.4,7,4.2,8,1.8,9,5.8,10,1.5
 3 DATA11,4.1,12,1.1,13,3.1,14,7.1,15,1.1,16,7.1,17,7.1,18,7.1,19,7.1,20,7.1
 10 FORI=1TO20
 11 FORJ=1TO2
 12 READL(I,J)
 13 L(I,3)=L((I-1),2)/7.1*10+L((I-1),3)
 14 L(I,3)=INT(L(I,3))
 16 NEXTJ:NEXTI
 29 PRINT"■"
 40 N$=""
 70 PRINT"THE PROGRAMMES ON THIS TAPE ARE
 80 PRINT" #  NAME          LENGTH F.FWD-SEC
 85 PRINT"                                  "
 100 PRINT" 1  OSERO      ";"   ";L(1,2);"    ";L(1,3)
 105 PRINT" 2  NUMGAME    ";"   ";L(2,2);"    ";L(2,3)
 110 PRINT" 3  BLACKJACK  ";"   ";L(3,2);"    ";L(3,3)
 115 PRINT" 4  STAR TREK  ";"   ";L(4,2);"    ";L(4,3)
 120 PRINT" 5  TREND LINE";"   ";L(5,2);"    ";L(5,3)
 125 PRINT" 6  MOONLANDER";"   ";L(6,2);"    ";L(6,3)
 130 PRINT" 7  CHECKERS   ";"   ";L(7,2);"    ";L(7,3)
 135 PRINT" 8  CLOCK      ";"   ";L(8,2);"    ";L(8,3)
 140 PRINT" 9  COMDEMO    ";"   ";L(9,2);"    ";L(9,3)
 145 PRINT" A  BNSLOGO    ";"   ";L(10,2);"    ";L(10,3)
 147 PRINT" B  EXCDEMO    ";"   ";L(11,2);"    ";L(11,3)
 149 PRINT" C  TAPEDUMP   ";"   ";L(12,2);"    ";L(12,3)
 151 PRINT" D  HANGMAN    ";"   ";L(13,2);"    ";L(13,3)
 153 PRINT" E  BNSDEMO    ";"   ";L(14,2);"    ";L(14,3)
 155 PRINT" F  CREATEFILE";"   ";L(15,2);"    ";L(15,3)
 157 PRINT" G  DUMMY      ";"   ";L(16,2);"    ";L(16,3)
 159 PRINT" H  DUMMY      ";"   ";L(17,2);"    ";L(17,3)
 160 PRINT" I  DUMMY      ";"   ";L(18,2);"    ";L(18,3)
 161 PRINT" J  DUMMY      ";"   ";L(19,2);"    ";L(19,3)
 162 PRINT" K  DUMMY      ";"   ";L(20,2);"    ";L(20,3)
 164 PRINT"PRESS F.FWD KEY ON CASSETTE THEN"
 166 PRINT"ENTER # OF DESIRED PROGRAMME";"■"
 200 GETN$:IFN$<>""THEN230
 210 IFPEEK(519)=0THENPOKE519,52:POKE59411,61
 220 GOTO200
 230 N=ASC(LEFT$(N$,1))-49:PRINT"SEARCHING FOR ";N$;"                    "
 231 IFN>9THENN=N-7
 240 POKE59411,53:TS=TI+L(N+1,3)*60
 250 IFTI<TSTHEN250
 260 POKE59411,61
 270 PRINT"■■PRESS 'STOP' ON CASSETTE AND LOAD"
 280 PRINT"SELECTED PROGRAMME NORMALLY....■"
 285 PRINT"                 OR■"
 290 PRINT"SAVE NEW PROGRAMME ON THIS TAPE HERE"
READY.
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(THIS IS A MODIFIED VERSION OF DAVID WILCOX'S INDEX PROGRAMME)

TAPE INDEX

```
1 DIML(36,5)
2 DIMP$(36)
5 PRINT"▯▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮*CREATING INDEX TABLE*"
9 L(0,1)=0.0:L(0,2)=0:L(0,3)=0:L(0,4)=0
10 FORI=1TO36
11 READX:READX
12 L(I,1)=X
13 L(I,2)=1.875*(730.15+(2*(192+X)/1.84968901))/60
15 NEXTI
20 FORI=1TO36
25 L(I,3)=L((I-1),3)+L(I,2)
27 B=1469.58824
30 L(I,4)=(-734.77912+SQR(B↑2+4*534.974599*L(I,3))/2)
31 L(I,5)=INT(L(I,4)*7.419-L(I,3)*120/3372)
40 NEXTI
60 PRINT"▯"
65 N$=""
70 PRINT"THE PROGRAMMES ON THIS TAPE ARE:";"▮"
80 PRINT" #  NAME         BYTES INCH  REV  JIFFY
85 PRINT"___  ____         _____ ____  ___  _____"
86 GOTO1000
164 PRINT"PRESS F.FWD KEY ON CASSETTE THEN"
166 PRINT"ENTER # OF DESIRED PROGRAMME";"▯▯"
200 GETN$:IFN$<>""THEN230
210 IFPEEK(519)=0THENPOKE519,52:POKE59411,61
220 GOTO200
230 N=ASC(LEFT$(N$,1))-49:PRINT"SEARCHING FOR PROGRAMME #";N$;"            "
231 IFN>9THENN=N-7
235 PRINT"FFWD TIME =";"     ▮▮▮▮▮";INT((L(N,5)-L(N,1))/60);"SECDS            ";"▯
"
243 POKE59411,53:TS=TI+L(N,5)-L(1,5)
250 IFTI<TSTHEN250
260 POKE59411,61
270 PRINT"▯▮PRESS 'STOP' ON CASSETTE AND LOAD"
280 PRINT"SELECTED PROGRAMME NORMALLY....▮"
300 END
500 DATA01,2618,02,0502,03,1558,04,1537
502 DATA05,1359,06,1403,07,1545,08,2370
504 DATA09,2401,10,1525,11,1503,12,1425
506 DATA13,6700,14,5308,15,1724,16,5730
508 DATA17,2244,18,5491,19,6783,20,1772
510 DATA21,4823,22,5056,23,2858,24,5845
512 DATA25,2565,26,0669,27,0669,28,0000
514 DATA29,0000,30,0000,31,0000,32,0000
516 DATA33,0000,34,0000,35,0000,36,0000
551 DATA1,"TAPE-INDEX  "
552 DATA2,"CREATEFILE  "
553 DATA3,"CREATE14/2  "
554 DATA4,"READFILE15/2"
555 DATA5,"READFILE10/2"
556 DATA6,"READ11/2/1  "
557 DATA7,"READ11/2/2  "
558 DATA8,"YAHTZEE#1   "
559 DATA9,"YAHTZEE#2   "
560 DATA10,"KCDRAW#1    "
561 DATA11,"KCDRAW#2    "
562 DATA12,"FLYING-S    "
563 DATA13,"BNSDEMO     "
564 DATA14,"BLACKJACK   "
565 DATA15,"TIME        "
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566 DATA16,"COMDEMO      "
567 DATA17,"TDCOMBO      "
568 DATA18,"PETDEMO      "
569 DATA19,"TDDEMO       "
570 DATA20,"TD-FAE       "
571 DATA21,"HORSERACE    "
572 DATA22,"OSERO        "
573 DATA23,"NUMGAME      "
574 DATA24,"STARTREK     "
575 DATA25,"TRENDLINE    "
576 DATA26,"LOBLOGO#1    "
577 DATA27,"LOBLOGO#2    "
578 DATA28,"NO           "
579 DATA29," MORE        "
580 DATA30,"  SPACE      "
581 DATA31,"   ON        "
582 DATA32,"    SIDE     "
583 DATA33,"     #1      "
584 DATA34,"      OF     "
585 DATA35,"       CASS."
586 DATA36,"        BCSX"
1000 FORI=1TO36:READP,X$:P$(I)=X$:NEXT
1002 FORI=1TO36
1005 J=I+48:IFI>9THENJ=J+7
1010 J$=CHR$(J)
1011 IFI>1GOTO1015
1012 PRINT"                                                    ]"
1013 PRINTJ$;"   ";P$(I);INT(L(I,1));INT(L(I,2));" ";INT(L(I,4));" ";L(I,5)
1014 GOTO1020
1015 PRINT"                                                    ]"
1016 PRINTJ$;"   ";P$(I);INT(L(I,1));INT(L(I,2));INT(L(I,4));L(I,5)
1017 GOTO1020
1020 IFI<>18GOTO1040
1022 REM***Q$<>"="WILL SCROLL PROGS. ON SCREEN***
1025 GETQ$:IFQ$=""GOTO1025
1026 IFQ$<>"="GOTO1055
1027 PRINT"QQQQQQ";
1037 Q$=""
1040 NEXT
1050 GETQ$:IFQ$="="THENQ$="":GOTO1060
1051 IFQ$=""THENGOTO1050
1055 GOTO164
1060 PRINT"QQQQQQ";:RESTORE:GOTO1002
READY.
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Applications

PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE ON-SITE USE OF A MICROCOMPUTER FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELDWORK

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ABSTRACT

The summer season of 1979 at East Karnak witnessed the first on-site use of a microcomputer for all aspects of archaeologocal fieldwork and report preparation. The purpose of the present paper is to highlight some of the more important operations that are able to be carried out by computer, as well as give a summary of the summer season's work.

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The concept of using computers in archaeology is not new. Significant advances in the use of large scale computers has been taking place for the last dozen years in North America, Great Britain, Europe, and Israel. It was noted early that a computer's ability to handle large amounts of data with unmatched speed and efficiency would be a boon to the social and historical sciences and archaeology in particular. Thus there have been many recent articles in the literature devoted to this idea.

However, when one examines in more depth the systems referred to, one sees that very few of them have even arrived at the stage of feeding the site data into the machine. The constraints and restrictions placed on archaeologists preventing them from gaining access to computer facilities prompted the present author (G.D.H.) to attempt to rectify the situation.

Late in 1978, the author approached Professor Donald B. Redford of the Dept. of Near Eastern Studies, University of Toronto, for assistance and a testing ground for a proposed computer scheme. It was decided to put together a preliminary program of activities for field trials at E. Karnak the following summer. If such a scheme would work in the heat of the Egyptian day, it would likely work anywhere.

It was determined that a totally portable computer was required for at least the following six purposes:

- site artifact description and recording for long term storage
- physical site structures (features and loci/strata) recording
- ability to review, alter, or delete any site data already recorded
- ability to sort or partition all or part of this data by means of specific requests
- ability to perform basic statistical analyses on all or part of the data
- ability to store schematic representations of the site plans for future retrieval and use

A comprehensive data base management approach was therefore needed. A microcomputer was the only machine that offered the necessary characteristics and was truly portable.

The overall design objective was that the system would be used as the exclusive tool of the archaeologist. It could be taken on site and offered a complete , comprehensive system of data management. All other attempts to date had been only piecemeal.

The proposed program of activities carried out were as follows:

Task 1 - specification and procurement of microcomputer and associated peripheral devices

Task 2 - writing and testing of germinal computer programs for the aforementioned purposes

Task 3 - transporting the computer intact to E. Karnak from Toronto and back again

Task 4 - setting up and field testing the computer itself including performing test runs on actual site data

TASK 1. SPECIFICATION AND PROCUREMENT OF MICROCOMPUTER

A low power, low cost, compact, portable computer was required for the job. In addition, the machine needed to have a relatively large memory storage capacity, operate with various peripheral devices (e.g. printer and mass storage devices), as well as posess the ability to handle graphic characters. The P.E.T. 2001 Microcomputer by Commodore offered the optimal combination of these factors as well as having a very powerfull and fast programming language.

The mass storage device chosen was a dual flexible disk system, and the printer was designed to print a wide range of graphic characters and symbols in addition to the standard alphabetic and numeric characters (diag. 1).

TASK 2. WRITING AND TESTING OF GERMINAL PROGRAMS

This section describes the computer programs that were written to encompass the six purposes outlined previously.

The stipulations of archaeological fieldwork required that the computer be taken directly onto the site or at least close enough so that data from the site books or the physical artifacts themselves could be fed into the machine directly. This mode of operation had the additional advantage that the director could oversee and verify the data immediately upon its entry into the computer.

Another requirement was that no voluminous, complicated coding forms would be allowed. Data had to be typed intothe computer's memory directly from the keyboard. This was accomplished by developing in advance the typography for all types and descriptions of artifacts. In this paper, artifact will be used to denote both site artifacts, e.g. pottery, coins bones, small finds etc. as well as physical features, e.g. walls, pits, strata/loci etc. The typography is in the form of a table or 'Typography Chart' (diag. 2) which is resident inside the computer. It represents the most likely set of artifacts and their attributes to be expected on the site, based on previous excavation or the director's judgement. Since the table can be altered to suit any site, this set of programs is truly universal.

It is this table that serves to drive the data input section of the program. This input section allows even unskilled operators to handle efficient data entry. The operator simply specifies the artifact which he or she is about to describe and the computer responds by presenting the operator with a set of multi-choice questions. These questions correspond to each of the attributes found on the Typography Chart for the selected artifact. The operator simply answers the questions one by one by pressing single keys on the computer keyboard. This is done sequentially until the attributes are complete for that artifact. At this point the computer automatically stores all the descriptions of the artifact on its mass storage disks and waits for the next artifact to be specified. This allows any artifact to be entered at any time and obviates the need for grouping, for example, all pots together and entering them at once. The method corresponds most closely to the way data is recorded by site supervisors in their site books.

After the day's data has been entered into the mass memory disks, any number of requests may be made of it, or any data stored previously. The director can ask to see, for example, all green glazed rim sherds from feature 25A ; stratum 15. The computer responds by printing out complete descriptions of all pots corresponding to this request. In this way, the director can perform his searching and sorting on all the data for that season before the dig ends and thus save weeks of work. This is one of the more important and unique features of this set of programs.

In order to revise and update the data already in memory, a comprehensive scheme of editing is included in the programs. If it is found that an artifact has been improperly entered, the operator can retrieve that datum by means of its description or number, and alter it in any manner desired.

Once the data has been entered to the satisfaction of the director, the sorted and partitioned data set created by his requests can be subjected to numerous statistical analyses. These include the simple stats such as frequency histograms, averages, standard deviations, correlation coefficients etc., as well as more sophisticated techniques such as analysis of variance, seriation, multi-variate regression, and eventually discriminant analysis and cluster analysis. These last are included at the discretion of the director and must be of a size small enough to fit onto the microcomputer used.

Another unique feature of the P.E.T. computer is its ability to draw schematized representations of the site plans on its screen and print them on paper (diag. 1) . These are particularly useful when new features are discovered and areas of the site need to be highlighted. The director can hand these to his respective site supervisors with pertinent information pinpointed.

A future version of the programs will include the ability to show automatically on the proper site schematic the responses to the archaeologist's requests. For example, at the archaeologist's request, all green glazed rim sherds could be plotted automatically on the correct site plan without human intervention.

The data input, basic stats and site plan drawing sections of the program were completed before travelling to Egypt, as was the format for the Typography Chart. This chart was then altered while in Egypt to suit the E. Karnak site artifact distributions. Work is now almost complete on the remaining sections of the programs - data requests and retrieval, data alteration, and advanced statistics. By Autumn 1979 final testing will take place in Toronto on data brought back from E. Karnak.

TASK 3. TRANSPORTING THE COMPUTER INTACT

This was the part of the program of activities that held the greatest potential for trouble, but it all went quite smoothly. The computer was dismantled into 4 small sectional components: Printer, TV screen (CRT), Main Computer and Keyboard, and Disk Drives (mass storage). These components were packed in sturdy boxes, the whole package taking up less than 4 cu.ft. The disk drives and CRT were put on the airplane as cargo and the computer and printer were taken as hand luggage. Disks with programs recorded on them were packed inside the main computer for protection from magnetic fields and X-rays at airport security.

All customs checkpoints were passed with no interruptions or delays. The computer system was carried by two people (G.D.H. and wife) from Canada to New York, to London, to Cairo, to Luxor, to Karnak and still worked perfectly. The printer was adjusted for operation at 50 Hz. and the whole system was powered by a variable rheostat to enable constant 120 V.AC operation from varying (and intermittent) Egyptian 220 V.AC mains current.

TASK 4. FIELD TESTING

The system was installed on a table in the office of the Inspector of Karnak Antiquities, Sayed Abdul Hamid, to whom we owe a debt of gratitude. It was discovered that air conditioning was required to keep the system cool. Fortunately, the inspector's office offered the necessary air conditioning and a relatively dust-free atmosphere. This was especially important for the delicate disk drives which are notoriously susceptible to dust and dirt. Thus each night, special plastic bags were put around the disks and disk drives.

In actual operation, every afternoon the voltage was adjusted and the computer system turned on. The morning's site books or artifacts were brought to the operator for entry. At the end of the computer session, with all the data recorded and requests made, the machine was turned off and enclosed in the bags. All systems and modes operated successfully as designed.

Actual test data from the site were used to demonstrate the usage of the programs, and suggest alterations to both modes of data entry and expected typography of the site. These tests as well were carried out to the satisfaction of the director and the operators.

SUMMARY

For under $5000 (Can.) archaeologists are now able to purchase a computer system capable of operating a comprehensive set of programs dedicated to fieldwork and analysis. The programs offer a complete data base management system for handling both physical site features and artifacts, as well as portraying graphical representations of the site. An additional feature is the consultation service offered by the author to prospective users, enabling a typography to be created which is particular to each individual site.

The summer season of 1979 at E. Karnak offered an ideal, if harsh, testing ground and proved that such a system was viable. It is hoped that the savings to archaeologists in terms of both fieldwork and report preparation will prompt further interest in and elaboration of the programs, and promote their use.

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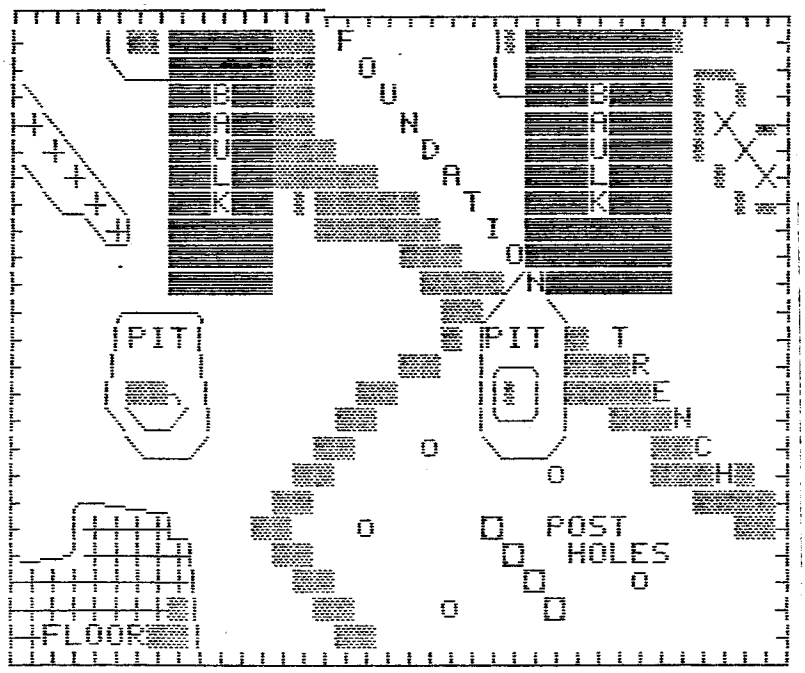

DIAG. 1 Hypothetical site printed by P.E.T. printer

THE FOLLOWING TYPOGRAPHY IS DIVIDED INTO 3 HEIRARCHICAL LEVELS ON 2 PAGES AS PER:

LEVEL	PAGE I				PAGE II			
I	FTS	STR	POTS	STH	BON	COIN	MET	MISC
II	# SUR DTL ETC	# DEP QDS	# PRV FT# PART	# PRV FT#	# PRV FT#	# PRV FT# ETC	# PRV FT#	# PRV FT#

LEVEL III

NECK, RIM, BASE ETC

FEATURES	STRATA	POTTERY	STRUCT/HTG
FEATURE #	STRATA #	POT #	STR/HTG #
SURFACING	DEPTH	PROVENANC	PROVENANC
STRATA # SU	DEP	PROV FEAT #	PROV FEAT #
DEPTH OF TOP LEVEL DEP	QUADS IN WHICH FND QUADS	IN WHICH FND FEAT	IN WHICH FND FEAT
HIGHT TOP TO BOTTOM AL	FEATURES FOUND IN FEATS	FRACTURE COLOUR FCOL	MATERIAL ATL
IS CUT BY FEAT# CT	SOIL TYPE OIL	MATRIX TYPE XT	DECORATION DEC
CUTS FEAT # CT	MUNSELL # UNSL	POT PART RT	PAINTED AINT
FILL TYPE IL	MOISTURE OIST	PAINTED GLAZED/P	FIRED FIRED
SHAPE SHP	INTRU- SIONS INT	DECORAT'N DEC	USE USE
USE USE		USE USE	PHASE DATE DT
STRT RANK TOP-BOT'M RNK		PHASE DATE DT	

PAGE I

BONES AND SHELLS	COINS+SP. FINDS	METAL	MISC.
BON/SHL #	COIN/SF #	METAL #	MISC. #
PROVENANCE PROV	PROVENANC PROV	PROVENANC PROV	PROVENANC PROV
FEATURE # FEAT	FEATURE # FEAT	FEATURE # FEAT	FEATURE # FEAT
SHELL SHELL	SPECIAL SPECFND	TYPE TYP	MATERIAL ATL
SPECIES SPEC	MATERIAL ATL	DECORAT'N DEC	DECORAT'N DEC
PART OF ANATOMY RT	CONDITION OND	HOW WORKED WORKD	USE USE
BURNT RNT	EMPIRE EMPIRE	USE USE	COLOUR COL
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PAGE II

DIAG. 2 Hypothetical Typography Chart (2 pages). Note: 3rd heirarchical level omitted